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PATENT APPLICATION**

As the below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name;

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled

**SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR OPTIMAL ALLOCATION OF LINK
BANDWIDTH IN A COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK FOR
TRUNK ROUTING**

the specification of which: (check one)

 X is attached hereto.

 was filed on
under Attorney's Docket Number
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I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, § 119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below.

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